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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 19, 2003, Applicant requests that the aboveidentified application be reconsidered in view of the remarks which follow, that each of the present pending claims be allowed and that the application be passed to issue.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on August 19, 2003

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